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Another Citizen of Junior Republic.

Mr. Herbert W. Lewis, superintendent of charities, today sent out to the National Junior Republic, near Annapolis Junction, Md., another citizen, Oscar Olin, an American, thus filling the vacancy allotted to this city. Mr. Lewis has written to the National Junior Republic, asking that two places be placed at that city and not yet filled be placed at the disposal of the Washington trustees for boys from the District.

ARMY PROMOTIONS

Effect of the Retirement of General Shafter Monday.

SIX NEW BRIGADIERS IN SUCCESSION

Final Choice Thought to Be Lawton or MacArthur.

SENIOR MAJOR GENERALSHIP

Gen. William R. Shafter, commanding the Department of Florida, with headquarters at St. Francis, will retire from the regular army Monday with the rank of brigadier general, in consequence of reaching the age of sixty-four years. His statutory retirement will not affect his present status in the volunteer establishment, however, nor cause any change in his present command. As the case stands, Gen. Shafter is the brigadier general in regular establishment and a major general of volunteers.

He retires from the regular army by operation of law, but the War Department does not deem it expedient to relieve him of his command at the Presidio and to place in charge there some other officer, with the return of the regular army to the Philippines and the forwarding of the new recruits would be less complete than that of Gen. Shafter. Gen. Shafter's service at San Francisco has been peculiarly satisfactory to the volunteers, and it is probably lead to his advancement to the rank of major general on the retired list, or, as some of his more optimistic friends have claimed, to the rank of brigadier general on that list in the regular establishment.

The precedent for retaining Gen. Shafter in his volunteer command was established in the case of Maj. Gen. Graham, at Camp Meade last year. No specific action by the department will be necessary to retain him in his command, and the opinion of the regular establishment will merely be noted at the time in the regular orders.

Six New Brigadiers.

Advantage will be taken of the vacancy caused by the retirement of Gen. Shafter to promote and retire with the rank of brigadier general six officers of the regular army who have already had more than thirty-five years of active service, and who rendered particularly meritorious service since the outbreak of the Spanish war. These officers are:

Col. Royal T. Frank, 1st Artillery; Col. C. M. Pennington, 2d Artillery; Col. Louis H. Burke, 17th Infantry; Col. Daniel W. Burke, 17th Infantry; Col. Daniel W. Burke, 17th Infantry; Col. Daniel W. Burke, 17th Infantry.

When the last one of them has retired, the vacancy thus created is to be filled by the appointment of six new brigadiers. W. Lawton, U. S. V. (colonel in the inspector general's department); Maj. Gen. Arthur MacArthur, Jr. (lieutenant general in the Philippine campaign); Gen. Wood at San Francisco.

Although one of these three officers will most probably secure the coveted star it is not at all impossible that the President may choose to bestow it upon Gen. Wheeler, Gen. Fiske, or some other volunteer officer who has distinguished himself or may yet do so in the service of his country.

In military circles it appears to be accepted, however, that the promotion will go to either MacArthur or Wood. The latter, with the chances said to favor the selection of the last named. In case that Gen. MacArthur is chosen it is further said that Gen. Lawton will be similarly advanced to the grade of brigadier general upon the statutory retirement of Brig. Gen. Wood.

May Become Senior Major General.

In the event of Gen. MacArthur's promotion it is possible that he may reach the rank of major general commanding the army in the course of time and hold it for two years before his retirement, which in the natural course of events will not occur until June, 1900.

It is possible only in case no one younger than he is appointed over his head during the long interval. All the present general officers of the army will have retired by April, 1907, the date of Brig. Gen. J. F. Wade's retirement. Gen. Wade will naturally succeed to the position of senior major general of the army.

Unlooked-For Appointments.

Inasmuch as appointments as general officers are open to civilians and to all officers of the army, without regard to seniority, it is impossible to predict what changes may be made within the next few years, either as a result of the present conflict in the Philippines or otherwise.

Heretofore appointments as general officers have been confined to subordinate officers of the line, and in going to the staff department in the War Department the President will be infringing upon an unwritten law which has usually been sacredly observed in the army. A further comment on this subject will be made when the introduction of the new officers is discussed.

UNITARIAN CONFERENCE.

National Organization to Meet in Washington Next Week.

A program has been issued for the eighteenth meeting of the national organization of Unitarians and other churches, October 16 to 19 inclusive. The evening sessions, except that of Thursday, beginning at 7:45 o'clock each evening, will be held in the Congregational church, corner 10th and G streets; the day sessions and Thursday evening's in All Souls' Unitarian church, corner 14th and L streets.

Theology class will meet at the opening session Monday evening, to its fundamental question—the personality and immediacy of God. After the communion service Tuesday morning, the morning and afternoon will be given to denominational affairs. The report of the council and the statements of the association are to be made and discussed; the Women's National Alliance meets, and also the Unitarian Temperance Society. Tuesday evening and Wednesday morning the general subject is the "Higher Nature of Man." Five addresses will be presented from the points of view—historical, ideal, and practical—of the Unitarian, the Christian, the Jew, the Mohammedan, and the Buddhist, through the Bible, through Jesus, and through the doctrine of the future life.

Wednesday afternoon is appropriated to addresses on religious education, also to the interests of the Sunday school and the Young People's society, and close with a reception and supper to the young people of the conference from the unions of Washington and Baltimore.

Thursday morning papers will be presented to the national life, to the interest of religious education, to citizenship and with sociology, with the theme of the addresses at the afternoon meeting in the interest of the American Unitarian Association.

Through a change in the custom, the annual sermon is to be the valedictory address. The speaker is the Rev. S. M. Crothers, D.D., of Cambridge, Mass.

Among other well-known speakers who are announced are Dr. Edward Everett Hale, Messrs. Oliver, Chappell, Dole, Brown, and Mills, George E. Adams, Carroll D. Wright, Principal Booker T. Washington and Prof. C. M. Tyler and F. W. Hooper.

FINANCE AND TRADE

Stocks Were Dull at Lower Prices Again Today.

ANOTHER RAID ON RAPID TRANSIT

Railway List Was Also Weak and Lower.

GENERAL MARKET REPORTS

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

NEW YORK, October 14.—The week at the stock exchange closes with professional traders in absolute control of prices. There is almost no evidence of an outside demand, and the relatively small volume of liquidation is somewhat surprising in view of the disappointment in investment circles.

There is scarcely a prediction covering the present week that has been fulfilled even in moderate degree. Earnings keep up and the iron and steel industry continues to astonish the trade with its achievements, but the securities have taken the place of buoyancy, and interest in new ventures is at a very low ebb.

Excuses are offered in explanation of existing conditions, but few of them seem adequate. The money market and the low bank reserve cause some concern a few weeks ago among traders, but bankers said the middle of October would see such difficulties entirely out of the way, and advised the public to sell good securities.

Falling to the level of results through narrow channels, the action of the government in anticipating interest was expected to bring about the same result through artificial means. The government covered their outstanding short contracts upon hearing of the government's intention, but the public view in the announcement only another strong argument for remedial financial legislation.

Only a few institutions are likely to demand interest for a full period named in the government's offer, and even this interest makeshift will avail little.

The money market is well under way and the action of the government in preliminary stages of the debate, will in all likelihood unsettle speculative conditions.

There is every evidence, however, that the London market has experienced some relief, now that the outbreak has actually occurred. It was not, too, that the local banks are not so strong in the prospect of active demand for gold. Altogether the speculative situation is one filled with many doubts, and the leadership for the moment is against improvement.

The selection of Brooklyn Rapid Transit for the first time shows very clearly that the present action of the government is being directed by the same experienced operator who first decided that the market had reached a dangerous height last spring.

Brooklyn Rapid Transit was today under pressure and yielded easily without much resistance.

London distinguished itself, but failed to rally except when an outstanding short account was being covered. In many quarters there were expressions of confidence in an early rally, and the market was accompanied with the substantial action necessary to support it. The bank statement showed a surplus of \$1,019,000 in lawful money, all in specie.

The shares were reduced \$4,082,000, and the deposits fell off \$6,212,000. The decrease in the latter was due to the fact that the reserve \$534,150, bringing the total surplus reserve up to \$1,777,350. The banks have failed to add anything to their supply of currency.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

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General Steel, pfd.....	77 1/2	77 1/2	76	76 3/4
General Electric.....				
Illinois Central.....	112 1/2	112 1/2	112 1/2	112 1/2
Louisville & Nashville.....	81 1/2	81 1/2	80 7/8	81 1/2
Metropolitan Traction.....	192	192	190	191 1/2
Manhattan Elevated.....	106 1/2	107	105 1/2	106 1/2
Missouri Pacific.....	42 3/4	43 1/2	42 1/2	43
N. K. & T., pfd.....	37 1/2	37 1/2	37 1/2	37 1/2
National City.....				